

Pallbearers
Nephews and Grand-Nephews

Floral Bearers

Ora Bell Nelson Women's Missionary Society

Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Sister Ira Mae Pringle Robinson Patterson, wish to extend to you a heartfelt appreciation for all acts of kindness extended to us during Mother's illness and after her transition. Your prayers, calls, hugs, and other expressions of sympathy uplifted our spirits. We pray God's continued blessings upon each of you.

Special Acknowledgements

We also extend gratitude to Sis. Lillian "Betty" Green, Myra Ardis, Nurse, Tereza Delin, CAN, and additional Gentiva Hospice Staff.

*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life
of*

SISTER IRA MAE PRINGLE ROBINSON PATTERSON



Our Last Moment Together

God saw her getting tired,
and a cure was not to be
so He put His arms around Her
and whispered,
"Come to Me."

With tearful eyes
we watched her suffer, and
saw her slowly fade away.
Although we loved her dearly,
we could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
hard working hands put to rest,
God broke out hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.

-Your Devoted Daughters
Peachy, Ree, Meryl, Ann

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024
11:00 A.M.

ST. PHILLIP A.M.E. CHURCH
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EASTOVER, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Obituary

“For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing” 2 Timothy 4:6-8.

Sister Ira Mae Pringle Robinson Patterson, the third child born to Henry and Lottie Malone Pringle, was born July 1, 1931, on the Hyman Plantation in Acton, now Eastover, South Carolina. She departed this life Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at home with her family.

Her parents instilled in her, and her siblings the value of helping others at an early age. During her time on the Hyman plantation life was not easy, but it was centered around helping and loving your neighbors. Being raised in a caring and loving family, their life’s lessons were imbedded in their everyday lives.

A creative, innovative, and “all around know how to” lady, Ira Mae enjoyed sewing, traveling, taking care of elderly people in the neighborhood, being outside, planting flowers and growing vegetables and especially spending time with her family.

In 1950, she married the late Heyward Robinson and to this union four girls were born, Geraldene, Joretha, Myrtle Jean and Jeanetta Ann.

Her employment included Dixie Laundry, Sally Campbell’s Laundry, Eastover Sewing Factory and the laundry at Fort Jackson.

Ira Mae, affectionately known as *Mae*, received her early education from St. Phillip School, which was across the road from St. Phillip AME Church. *Mae* later attended Webber School in her teenage years. She became the sole provider for her children after the passing of her husband Heyward Robinson in 1973.

Sister Patterson was a faithful and active member of St. Phillip AME Church. She joined the church at an early age and continued to work faithfully in the following ministries: Steward Board, Trustee Board, Women’s Missionary Society, Pulpit Aid Ministry, Pastors welfare Ministry and the J.C. Gasque Gospel Choir. She continued to worship in person on a regular basis during her illness.

Ira Mae was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Lottie Malone Pringle; her husband, Heyward Robinson; her second husband, Ernest Patterson; three sisters, Juanita (Tut) Sumter, Earlene (Junie) Harris, and Henrietta (Betty) Pringle; three brothers, Joe Pringle, Henry (Bobby) Pringle, and Eddie Earl Pringle; four sisters-in-law, Sally Lovett Jones, Henrietta Brown Pringle, Mary Wilson, Fronnie Bell “Jannie” Alston Pringle; and brother-in-law, Willie Lovett.

Those who will forever cherish her life memories are her daughters: Geraldene Robinson, Joretha (Robert) Jenerette both of Eastover, Myrtle Robinson of Beaufort, and Jeanetta Ann Robinson of Columbia; four grandchildren, Tonia Jenell Jenerette, Hosea Webber, and John Heyward Robinson; two great-grandchildren, Robert DeShawn-Lamont Taylor of Kansas City, MO and Kristyn Jenell Webber; three brothers-in-law, Joe Louis (Dorothy) Robinson of East Orange, N.J., Andrew Harris and Andrew (Joyce) Lovett; her three-sisters-in-law, Martha Dove, Lottie Pringle, and Lena (Curtis) Grant. Even though Ira Mae Patterson is no longer with us physically, her presence will also be missed by her nieces and nephews and other family members and friends.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Vincent L. Hall, Officiating

- The Organ Prelude.....Brother Gaines McBeth
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- The Hymn of Praise.....St. Phillip Praise Team
#83 “O Thou in Whose Presence”
- The Invocation.....Reverend Samuel McPherson
Presiding Elder, Retired, Grace Chapel AME Church
- Old Testament.....Psalm 23.....Presiding Elder Carl Anderson
Lancaster District
- New Testament.....Revelation 21:1-6.....Reverend Ernestine W. Pringle
- Remarks:
 - Class Leader.....Sister Yvonne S. Hall
 - Community.....Mayor James Faber
 - Friend.....Sister Janie N. Dease
- Acknowledgements/Resolution.....Sister LeVaris Jacobs
- Sermonic Selection.....St. Phillip Church Praise Team
“You Are My Strength”
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Larry D. Clark
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

St. Phillip AME Church Cemetery
4351 McCords Ferry Road
Columbia, South Carolina